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In Re the Application of:

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
MODIFICATIONS OF VISUAL ACUITY BY  
THERMAL MEANS**



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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants, in accordance with their duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56 and in accordance with 37 CFR §§1.97-1.98, Applicants submit the enclosed Form PTO-1449, including copies of the art cited therein. Applicants contend that the cited art does not preclude patentability by anticipating or rendering obvious the present invention.

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.97(c), submitted herewith is the required fee as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(p) in the amount of \$240.00. This statement is being filed before the mailing date of the final Office Action or the Notice of Allowance. In the event any petition is needed for consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement, it is hereby so petitioned. Please charge any additional fee due to Deposit Account 02-2666. A duplicate of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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